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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1713
PATENT
06490619P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Yasuyuki TANAKA et al.

Application No.: 08/941,132

Group: 1713

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Examiner: Zitomer, F.

For: MODIFIED NATURAL RUBBER

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 11, 2000

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated December 7, 1999, the period for response having been extended three months to June 7, 2000, the following remarks are made in connection with the above-identified application.

Remarks

Claims 1-3 and 7-19 are pending. Claims 1-3, 7 and 8 remain withdrawn from consideration as being drawn to nonelected subject matter.